

Also, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, attached hereto is a marked-up version showing the changes made by the present amendment.

Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 10, 16, 37, 40-41 and 44-46 as follows:

10. (thrice amended) A method for the treatment of the skin of a consumer comprising the steps of:

- a) applying to the skin a first dermatological composition comprising an effective amount of an acid suitable as a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4; and
- b) neutralizing said first composition by applying to the skin a second dermatological composition comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition, and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12, and the first composition and the second composition are not rinsed off of the skin, wherein makeup or other cosmetic is capable of being applied thereafter to the skin.

16. (thrice amended) A kit for treating the skin of a consumer by enhancement of skin appearance, comprising:

a first dermatological composition comprising an effective amount of an acid suitable as a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4;

a second dermatological composition, which neutralizes said first dermatological composition, comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition and about

0.1 to about 10 percent of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12; and

a means for applying the first and second compositions, the compositions being adapted for sequential application to the skin of the consumer, wherein the first composition and the second composition are of a consistency that the compositions are not rinsed off of the skin, and that makeup or other cosmetic is capable of being applied thereafter to the skin;

whereby said enhancement is selected from the group consisting of reduction of lines and wrinkles, reduction of pore size, exfoliation of the skin, elimination of acne, toning of the skin, enhancement of skin radiancy, and softer, smoother skin with a more uniform appearance; the first and second dermatological compositions causing said enhancement.

37. (twice amended) A method for treatment of the skin of a consumer comprising the steps of:

a) applying to the skin a first dermatological composition comprising an effective amount of an acid selected from the group consisting of alpha hydroxy acid, beta hydroxy acid and trichloroacetic acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4; and

b) neutralizing said first composition by applying to the skin a second dermatological composition comprising an alkaline agent selected from the group consisting of sodium bicarbonate and sodium hydroxide, and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12, and the first composition and the second composition are not rinsed off of the skin, wherein makeup or other cosmetic is capable of being applied thereafter to the skin.

40. (twice amended) A method for treatment of the skin of a consumer comprising the steps of:

a) applying to the skin a first dermatological composition consisting essentially of an effective amount of an acid suitable as a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4; and

b) neutralizing said first composition by applying to the skin a second dermatological composition consisting essentially of an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition, and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12, and the first composition and the second composition are not rinsed off of the skin, wherein makeup or other cosmetic is capable of being applied thereafter to the skin.

41. (twice amended) A kit for treating the skin of a consumer by enhancement of skin appearance, comprising:

a first dermatological composition comprising an effective amount of an acid suitable as a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4;

a second dermatological composition, which neutralizes said first dermatological composition, comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition and about 0.1 to about 10 percent of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12; and

single-use pads for applying the first and second compositions, the compositions being adapted for sequential application to the skin of the consumer, wherein the first composition and the second composition are of a consistency that the compositions are not rinsed off of the skin after application to the skin by use of a single-use pad, and that makeup or other cosmetic is capable of being applied thereafter to the skin;

whereby said enhancement is selected from the group consisting of reduction of lines and wrinkles, reduction of pore size, exfoliation of the skin, elimination of acne, toning of the skin, enhancement of skin radiancy, and softer, smoother skin with a more uniform appearance; the first and second dermatological compositions causing said enhancement.

44. (twice amended) A method for treatment of the skin of a consumer consisting essentially of

the steps of:

a) applying to the skin a first dermatological composition comprising an effective amount of an acid suitable as a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4; and

b) neutralizing said first composition by applying to the skin a second dermatological composition comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition, and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12, and the first composition and the second composition are not rinsed off of the skin, wherein the first composition and the second composition are each applied with a pad, and makeup or other cosmetic is capable of being applied thereafter to the skin.

45. (amended) A method for the treatment of the skin of a consumer comprising the steps of:

a) applying to the skin a first dermatological composition comprising an effective amount of a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the skin renewing acid is selected from the group consisting of hydroxy carboxylic acids, keto acids, hydroxybenzoic acids, and combinations thereof, and the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4; and

b) neutralizing said first composition by applying to the skin a second dermatological composition comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the alkaline agent is sodium bicarbonate or sodium hydroxide, and the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12, and the first composition and the second composition are not rinsed off of the skin, wherein makeup or other cosmetic is capable of being applied thereafter to the skin.

46. (amended) A kit for treating the skin of a consumer by enhancement of skin appearance, comprising: